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Ms. Ilona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue -- 12th Floor  
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Re: Amendment to Interconnection Agreement for Elimination of UNE-P and  
Implementation of Batch Hot Cut Process and Discounts between Qwest  
Corporation and Z-Tel Communications Inc. for the State of North Dakota

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Please find enclosed for filing for approval by the North Dakota Public Service Commission pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252 and N.D. Cent. Code § 49-21-01.7 an original copy of the Amendment to Interconnection Agreement for Elimination of UNE-P and Implementation of Batch Hot Cut Process and Discounts between Qwest Corporation and Z-Tel Communications Inc. for the State of North Dakota. This Amendment revises the Interconnection Agreement between the parties approved by the Commission on August 8, 2001, Docket No. PU-2568-01-314.

Contact information for Z-Tel Communications Inc. is as follows:

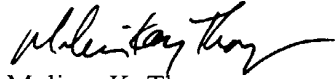
Ron Walters, Vice President - Industry Policy  
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We have also enclosed an extra copy of this letter and of the filing. Please date stamp the extra copies and return them to us for our files. We will forward an electronic copy of the Amendment to you for posting on the Commission's website.

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Thank you for your help with this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa K. Thompson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melissa K. Thompson

Encl.

cc: Scott Macintosh w/o encl.  
Ron Walters w/o encl.